

Please amend the claims as follows:

(h) Claims.

I claim:

1. An apparatus to alleviate pet thirst comprising:

a reservoir having a wall, said wall having a fill aperture and valves; said fill aperture having a closable openable cap, said cap when open allowing liquid to enter said reservoir through said fill aperture, said cap when closed denying egress from said reservoir; said valves having pressure actuated opening means, said valves under pressure allowing liquid to exit said reservoir, said valves when not under pressure denying egress from said reservoir. ]

2. [The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising] An apparatus to alleviate pet thirst comprising:

a reservoir having a wall, said wall having a fill aperture and valves; said fill aperture having a closeable openable cap, said cap when open allowing liquid to enter said reservoir through said fill aperture, said cap when closed denying egress from said reservoir; said valves having pressure actuated opening means, said valves under pressure allowing liquid to exit said reservoir, said valves when not under pressure denying egress from said reservoir; an outer layer enclosing

said wall, said outer layer being shaped to resemble a food item [said outer layer having an aesthetic design]. (Amended)

3. The apparatus of claim 2 further comprising indicia on said outer layer.

4. The apparatus of claim [1] 2 further comprising a cord attached to said apparatus. (Amended)

5. The apparatus of claim [1] 2 further comprising a noisemaker contained within said reservoir. (Amended)

6. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said valves are nipples. (Amended)

7. In Combination:

a reservoir having a wall, said wall having a fill aperture and valves, said fill aperture having an openable cap, said valves comprising bores penetrating said wall;

a valve mechanism shaped substantially to fill said bores, said valve mechanism being capable of alternate movement substantially perpendicular to said wall, said valve mechanism having an opening permitting liquid to flow from said reservoir during a first state of the alternate movement of said valve mechanism, said opening being blocked by said wall during a

second state of the alternate movement of said valve mechanism;

return means urging said valve mechanism to said second state of the alternate movement of said valve mechanism;

said valve mechanism being movable to said first state of the alternate movement of said valve mechanism by application of pressure.

8. The apparatus of claim 7 wherein said pressure is applied to said valve mechanism. (Amended)

9. The apparatus of claim 7 wherein said pressure is applied to said wall. (Amended)

10. The apparatus of claim 7 further comprising a cord having attachment means, said attachment means connecting said cord to said apparatus.

11. The apparatus of claim 7 further comprising an outer layer attached to said wall, said outer layer being shaped to resemble a food item. [said outer layer having an aesthetic design.] (Amended)

12. The apparatus of claim 11 wherein said outer layer bears indicia.

13. The apparatus of claim 7 further comprising a noisemaker

contained within said reservoir.

14. The apparatus of claim 7 further comprising a nipple, said nipple extending from said wall, said valves being located on said nipple. (Amended)

15. A pet care apparatus comprising a reservoir having a wall, a fill aperture, and valves; said wall being adapted to hold liquid and being compressible; said fill aperture having an airtight openable cap; said cap when open permitting liquid to be introduced to said reservoir through said fill aperture; said valves being slits deformable by pressure; whereby creating a net greater pressure inside said reservoir when said reservoir contains liquid and when said cap is airtight will cause said liquid to exit said valves.

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16. The pet care apparatus of claim 15 further comprising an outer layer attached to said wall, said outer layer having an aesthetic design.

17. The pet care apparatus of claim 16 wherein said outer layer bears indicia.

18. The pet care apparatus of claim 15 further comprising a cord having an attachment means, said attachment means being attached to said pet care apparatus.

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19. The pet care apparatus of claim 15 further comprising a noisemaker, said noisemaker being contained within said reservoir.

20. The pet care apparatus of claim 15 further comprising said reservoir having a nipple, said nipple extending from said wall, said valves being located on said nipple.

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